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Swallow

Barn-Hirundo rustica.

Sheathbill

American-Chionis alba.

Tern

Antarctic—Sterna vittata. Arctic—Sterna paradisaea.

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§ 670.21 Designation of native plants.

All plants whose normal range is limited to, or includes Antarctica are designated native plants, including:

Bryophytes Freshwater algae Fungi Lichens Marine algae Vascular Plants

§ 670.22 [Reserved]

Subpart E—Specially Protected Species of Mammals, Birds, and Plants

§ 670.23 Specific issuance criteria.

Permits authorizing the taking of mammals, birds, or plants designated as a Specially Protected Species of mammals, birds, and plants in §670.25 may only be issued if:

- (a) There is a compelling scientific purpose for such taking;
- (b) The actions allowed under any such permit will not jeopardize the existing natural ecological system, or the survival of the affected species or population;
- (c) The taking involves non-lethal techniques, where appropriate; and
- (d) The authorized taking, transporting, carrying or shipping will be carried out in a humane manner.

§ 670.24 Content of permit applications.

In addition to the information required in subpart C of this part, an applicant seeking a permit to take a Specially Protected Species shall include the following in the application:

(a) A detailed scientific justification of the need for taking the Specially Protected Species, including a discussion of possible alternative species;

(b) Information demonstrating that the proposed action will not jeopardize the existing natural ecological system or the survival of the affected species or population; and

(c) Information establishing that the taking, transporting, carrying, or shipping of any native bird or native mammal will be carried out in a humane

manner.

§ 670.25 Designation of specially protected species of native mammals, birds and plants.

The following two species have been designated as Specially Protected Species by the Antarctic Treaty Parties and are hereby designated Specially Protected Species:

Common Name and Scientific Name Kerguelen Fur Seal—Arctocephalus tropicales gazella.

Ross Seal—Ommatophoca rossii.

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§ 670.26 [Reserved]

Subpart F—Antarctic Specially Protected Areas

§ 670.27 Specific issuance criteria.

Permits authorizing entry into any Antarctic Specially Protected Area designated in §670.29 may only be issued if:

- (a) The entry and activities to be engaged in are consistent with an approved management plan, or
- (b) A management plan relating to the area has not been approved by the Antarctic Treaty Parties, but
- (1) There is a compelling scientific purpose for such entry which cannot be served elsewhere, and
- (2) The actions allowed under the permit will not jeopardize the natural ecological system existing in such area.

§ 670.28 Content of permit application.

In addition to the information required in subpart C of this part, an applicant seeking a permit to enter an Antarctic Specially Protected Area shall include the following in the application:

(a) A detailed justification of the need for such entry, including a discussion of alternatives;

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- (b) Information demonstrating that the proposed action will not jeopardize the unique natural ecological system in that area; and
- (c) Where a management plan exists, information demonstrating the consistency of the proposed actions with the management plan.

§ 670.29 Designation of Antarctic spe-cially protected areas, specially managed areas and historic sites and monuments.

The following areas have been designated by the Antarctic Treaty Parties for special protection and are hereby designated as Antarctic Specially Protected Areas (ASPA). The Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978, as amended, prohibits, unless authorized by a permit, any person from entering or engaging in activities within an ASPA. Detailed maps and descriptions of the sites and complete management plans can be obtained from the National Science Foundation, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, Room 755, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, Virginia 22230.

ASPA 101 Taylor Rookery, Mac. Robertson Land, East Antarctica

ASPA 102 Rookery Islands, Holme Bay, Mac. Robertson Land, East Antarctica

ASPA 103 Ardery Island and Odbert Island, Budd Coast, Wilkes Land, East Antarctica ASPA 104 Sabrina Island, Balleny Islands

ASPA 105 Beaufort Island, Ross Sea (see ASPA 124)

ASPA 106 Cape Hallett, Victoria Land ASPA 107 Emperor Island, Dion Islands, Marguerite Bay, Antarctic Peninsula (see Measure 1, 2002)

ASPA 108 Green Island, Berthelot Islands, Antarctic Peninsula

ASPA 109 Moe Island, South Orkney Islands ASPA 110 Lynch Island, South Orkney Islands

ASPA 111 Southern Powell Island and adjacent Islands, South Orkney Islands

ASPA 112 Coppermine Peninsula, Robert Island, South Shetland Islands

ASPA 113 Litchfield Island, Arthur Harbour, Anvers Island, Palmer Archipelago ASPA 114 Northern Coronation Island, South Orkney Islands

ASPA 115 Lagotellerie Island, Marguerite

Bay, Antarctic Peninsula ASPA 116 'New College Valley', Caughley

Beach, Cape Bird, Ross Island ASPA 117 Avian Island, off Adelaide Island,

Antarctic Peninsula ASPA 118 'Cryptogam Ridge', Mount Melbourne, Victoria Land

ASPA 119 Davis Valley and Forlidas Pond Pond, Dufek Massif ASPA 120 'Pointe-Géologie Archipelego',

Terre Adélie

ASPA 121 Cape Royds, Ross Island ASPA 122 Arrival Heights, Hut Point Peninsula, Ross Island

ASPA 123 Barwick and Balham Valleys (see Measure 1, 2002), Victoria Land

ASPA 124 Cape Crozier, Ross Island

ASPA 125 Fildes Peninsula, King George Island, South Shetland Islands

ASPA 126 Byers Peninsula, Livingston Island. South Shetland Islands

ASPA 127 Haswell Island ASPA 128 Western shore of Admiralty Bay, King George Island

ASPA 129 Rothera Point, Adelaide Island ASPA 130 'Tramway Ridge', Mount Erebus, Ross Island

ASPA 131 Canada Glacier, Lake Fryxell, Taylor Valley, Victoria Land ASPA 132 Potter Peninsula, '25 de Mayo'

(King George) Island, South Shetland Islands

ASPA 133 Harmony Point, west coast of Nelson Island, South Shetland Islands ASPA 134 Cierva Point and offshore islands,

Danco Coast, Antarctic Peninsula ASPA 135 North-eastern Bailey Peninsula,

Budd Coast, Wilkes Land ASPA 136 Clark Peninsula, Budd Coast,

Wilkes Land ASPA 137 Northwest White Island,

McMurdo Sound ASPA 138 Linnaeus Terrace, Asgaard

Range, Victoria Land

ASPA 139 Biscoe Point, Anvers Island

ASPA 140 Parts of Deception Island, South Shetland Islands

ASPA 141 'Yukidori Valley', Langhovde, Lützow-Holmbukta

SPA 142 Svarthamaren, M Hofmannfjella, Dronning Maud Land Mühlig-ASPA ASPA 143 Marine Plain. Mule Peninsula.

Vestfold Hills, Princess Elizabeth Land ASPA 144 'Chile Bay' (Discovery Bay). Greenwich Island, South Shetland Islands

ASPA 145 Port Foster, Deception Island, South Shetland Islands

ASPA 146 South Bay, Doumer Island, Palmer Archipelago ASPA

147 Ablation Valley-Ganymede Heights, Alexander Island

ASPA 148 Mount Hope Flora. Antaractic Peninsula

ASPA 149 Cape Shirreff and San Telmo Island, Livingston Island, South Shetland Islands

ASPA 150 Ardley Island, Maxwell Bay, King George Island

ASPA 151 Lions Rump, King George Island, South Shetland Islands

ASPA 152 Western Bransfield Strait off Low Island, South Shetland Islands

ASPA 153 Eastern Dallmann Bay off Brabant Island, Palmer Archipelago